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identifying an alignment axis; and

15	aligning selected ones of the identified leaf cells in the direction of the alignment
16	axis, wherein the aligning step puts the selected identified leaf cells into a predetermined
17	order along the alignment axis.

- 1 30. (Original) A method according to claim 29, wherein the aligning step
 2 orders the selected identified leaf cells in accordance with the ordered bits of the vectored
 3 net.
- 1 31. (Original) A method according to claim 29, wherein the aligning step 2 orders the selected identified leaf cells in reverse of the ordered bits of the vectored net.
- 32. (Original) A method according to claim 29, wherein each of the identified leaf cells is associated with one of the ordered bits of the vectored net, and the identified leaf cells for each ordered bit has one source leaf cell and at least one destination leaf cell, the aligning step putting the source leaf cells into a predetermined order along the alignment axis, and putting the at least one destination leaf cell adjacent the corresponding source leaf cell along an axis that is perpendicular to the alignment axis.
- 1 33. (Original) A data processing system for selecting cells in a circuit
 2 design database, the circuit design database having one or more levels of hierarchy
 3 including one or more logic functions composed of one or more other logic functions